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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Daniel E. E. Hayes, Jr. et al.
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Title: BIMETAL ACETABULAR COMPONENT
CONSTRUCT FOR HIP JOINT PROSTHESIS
Group Art Unit: 3738
Examiner: Brian E. Pellegrino
Attorney's Docket No.: HAYES-4

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

Applicants hereby petition for a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the outstanding OFFICIAL ACTION mailed July 30, 2002 with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the time for response from October 30, 2002 to January 30, 2003.

A check in the amount of \$465.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the petition fee. This petition fee has been calculated on the basis of a Small Entity status.

In the event that any additional fees may be required to be paid in connection with this matter, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0221. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for the convenience of the Office.

Thank you.

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